

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Applicant respectfully requests that this listing of claims replace the prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A method of communication between terminal equipment and an accessory connected to the terminal equipment, the method comprising  
providing in the terminal equipment an application interface for services offered by the terminal,  
detecting connecting of the accessory to the terminal equipment in the terminal equipment,  
scanning the software stored in the accessory by the terminal equipment,  
detecting a proxy application in the accessory in response to the scanning,  
downloading the proxy application from the accessory to the terminal equipment,  
executing an accessory software application in the accessory,  
executing ~~[[a]]~~the proxy application in the terminal equipment, the proxy application providing the accessory software application with the services offered by the application interface.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising  
detecting the connecting of the accessory to the terminal equipment automatically in the terminal equipment.

3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising  
downloading the proxy application from the accessory to the terminal equipment automatically after detecting the accessory~~[[ ]]~~.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, further comprising  
executing the proxy application in the terminal equipment automatically after downloading.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the proxy application sets up and controls data transfer between the accessory and the terminal equipment.
6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising  
    querying properties of the application interface,  
    sending information about the properties to the accessory software application.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the properties of the application interface comprise the functions supported by the interface and the version of the interface.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein more than one accessory software application is executed in the accessory.
9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the proxy application is a Java application and the proxy application is interpreted in the terminal equipment by a virtual machine.
10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the accessory software application is a Java application and the application is interpreted in the accessory by a virtual machine.
11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the accessory software application uses the application interface of the terminal equipment via the proxy application.
12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising  
    executing the accessory software application in the accessory as a non-Java application,

providing by the proxy application in the terminal equipment a Java application interface for the accessory software application.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising

executing the accessory software application in the accessory as a non-Java application,

providing by the proxy application in the terminal equipment a non-Java application interface for the accessory software application.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the services offered by the terminal comprise communication services and user interface services.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the accessory software application enables a user of the accessory to operate the terminal equipment.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the software platform is a Symbian operating system and the proxy application is realized as a Symbian application.

17. (Currently amended) Terminal equipment comprising:

a connection interface enabling an accessory to be connected to the terminal equipment,

an application interface to services offered by the terminal,

an accessory manager configured to obtain information about accessory software in an accessory connected to the terminal equipment, and

a software platform configured to execute a proxy application providing services offered by the application interface for an accessory software application executed in an accessory connected to the terminal equipment.

18. (Currently amended) The terminal equipment of claim 17, ~~further comprising wherein~~  
the

[[an ]]accessory manager is configured to download a proxy application from an  
accessory connected to the terminal equipment.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Original) The terminal equipment of claim 17, the terminal equipment being  
configured to detect the connecting of the accessory to the terminal equipment  
automatically.

21. (Previously presented) The terminal equipment of claim 17, wherein the software  
platform is configured to execute a proxy application providing in the terminal equipment a  
Java application interface for the accessory software application executed in an accessory  
connected to the terminal equipment.

22. (Previously presented) The terminal equipment of claim 17, wherein the software  
platform is configured to execute a proxy application providing in the terminal equipment a  
non-Java application interface for the accessory software application executed in an  
accessory connected to the terminal equipment.

23. (Original) The terminal equipment of claim 17, wherein the software platform is  
configured to execute a proxy application providing a user interface of an accessory  
connected to the terminal equipment.

24. (Previously presented) The terminal equipment of claim 17, wherein the software  
platform is a virtual machine.

25. (Original) The terminal equipment of claim 17, wherein the software platform is a Symbian operating system.

26. (Currently amended) An accessory for terminal equipment, comprising  
means for connecting the accessory to the terminal equipment,  
means for executing an accessory software application, configured to communicate with the terminal equipment via a proxy application uploaded from the accessory to, and executed in, the terminal equipment and to utilize services offered by the terminal equipment via the proxy application.

27. (Currently amended) The accessory of claim 26, further comprising  
means for uploading ~~[[a]]the~~ proxy application to the terminal equipment automatically when being connected to said terminal equipment

28. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the accessory is a cover for the terminal equipment.

29. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the accessory is an independently functioning external device.

30. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the accessory has a wireless connection to the terminal equipment.

31. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the accessory has a wire line connection to the terminal equipment.

32. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the user interface of the accessory is provided by an application interface of the terminal equipment.

33. (Original) The accessory of claim 26, wherein the user interface of the terminal equipment is provided by the accessory.

34. (Currently amended) An accessory for terminal equipment, comprising:

a communication interface;

memory; and

a processor including a software platform configured to communicate with the terminal equipment via a proxy application uploaded from the accessory to, and executed in, the terminal equipment and to utilize services offered by the terminal equipment via the proxy application.

35. (Currently amended) Terminal equipment comprising:

means for connecting an accessory to the terminal equipment;

an application interface to services offered by the terminal;

means for obtaining information about accessory software in an accessory connected to the terminal equipment; and

means for executing a proxy application configured to provide services offered by the application interface for an accessory software application executed in the accessory.